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SUBJECT: TORRIJOS VISIT TO ECUADOR

1. SUMMARY: ONE DAY VISIT OF PANAMANIAN HEAD OF STATE TORRIJOS TO ECUADOR PRODUCED WORDY JOINT COMMUNIQUE IN WHICH BANANA PROBLEM DISCUSSED IN GENERAL TERMS THAT LEFT ECUADOR UNCOMMITTED TO BANANA CARTEL. VISIT WENT SMOOTHLY WITH PLACING OF WREATH AND RECEPTION OF TORRIJOS BY PANAMANIAN RESIDENTS IN ECUADOR. END SUMMARY.

2. TORRIJOS AND RODRIGUEZ, IN HOUR-AND-HALF PRIVATE CONVERSATION SHORTLY AFTER FORMER'S ARRIVAL IN GUAYAQUIL MORNING MAY 15, RATIFIED TERMS OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE CALLING FOR LATIN AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATION. USUAL PHRASE ON RIGHTS OF STATES TO USE NATURAL RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT WAS ACCOMPANIED BY PARAGRAPH REAFFIRMING RIGHT OF PRODUCING STATES TO FORM ORGANIZATIONS TO OBTAIN BETTER PRICES. WITH RESPECT TO BANANAS, COMMUNIQUE RECOGNIZED

A) NECESSITY FOR CONCERTED ACTION TO ACHIEVE REMUNERATIVE PRICES, B) GUARANTEE EQUILIBRIUM BETWEEN SUPPLY

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AND DEMAND, AND C) ELIMINATE TRADE BARRIERS TO BANANAS

(TRADITIONAL TRIPOD OF ECUADOREAN BANANA POLICY), BUT  
LEFT ECUADOR STILL NOT A MEMBER OF BANANA CARTEL.

3. COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED SUPPORT OF ECUADOREAN PRESIDENT  
FOR PANAMANIAN EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE CONTROL OF PANAMA  
CANAL AND SUPPORTED A CODE OF CONDUCT TO REGULATE THE  
ACTIVITY OF TRANS-NATIONAL COMPANIES AND RECOGNITION  
OF 200-MILE TERRITORIAL SEA. BOTH PRESIDENTS COMMITTED  
THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO CONSULTATIONS ON LAW OF THE SEA  
PRIOR TO NEXT MEETING OF CONFERENCE OF LOS IN NEW YORK.

4. COMMENT: FROM ALL POINTS OF VIEW, VISIT APPARENTLY  
WAS CORDIAL AND FRIENDLY. THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS  
ON DISCUSSIONS RELATING TO THE CIVIL AIR PROBLEMS  
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND WE SUSPECT THE  
SUBJECT WAS RAISED WITHOUT ANY FINAL CONCLUSION HAVING  
BEEN REACHED.  
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